



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 09/768,667  
Applicant(s): Takeo HODA et al  
For: IMAGE INFORMATION PROCESSING SYSTEM  
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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated September 24, 2003, which provides for a response period ending December 24, 2003.

A Petition for Extension of Time, to extend the response period for the Office Action, for three additional months to March 24, 2004, is being filed concurrently.

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Reply to Office Action of September 24, 2003

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: